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Signs Of Cold War Coming To An End

Moscow, Apr. 27.—A feeling that Soviet Russia and the three Western powers may be on their way toward a new stage in postwar mutual relations prevailed on Wednesday in Moscow.

No one was going so far as to predict settlements, beyond lifting of the Berlin blockade, but informed diplomats agreed this could be the stepping stone to great events.

Handled correctly and with infinite care by all sides, some sources said, this new state of affairs could lead to an ending of the cold war.

(This dispatch passed through the Moscow censorship. The copy received in the U.S. does not show what, if any, excisions were made by the censor.)

The suspicion that has usually accompanied new moves in the cold war was lacking in Western quarters on Wednesday.

"Something is cooking," said an American source. "At this point, it does not smell bad."

All Western quarters stressed the situation was delicate and agreed that new steps should be slow and cautious—backed by a great deal of thought.—Associated Press.

Well, They Said It!

Shanghai, Apr. 27.—Harried correspondents took time to smile today sympathetically and understandingly at the regulation No. 6, promulgated by the Shanghai Garrison Command that "except for news released by this headquarters, Chinese and English morning and evening newspapers and news agencies are forbidden to publish other inaccurate war news."—United Press.

S'hai Evacuation

Navy Will Give All The Help Possible

Shanghai, Apr. 28.—The British Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. R. W. Urquhart, assured Britons here last night that despite the removal of British warships from Shanghai's bund to the mouth of the Yangtse off Woosung all naval help for evacuation purposes will still be given.

In a statement released to-night, Mr. Urquhart said that original emergency plans have been altered by the attack on the Amethyst.

"It must be recognised that a late evacuation from the waterfront to Hongkong with naval assistance in the form originally planned cannot now be guaranteed and indeed in certain circumstances may be impossible. Accordingly other alternative arrangements have been examined," the statement said.

Mr. Urquhart emphasised once more that the peaceful character of British ships on the Yangtse was stated clearly in the House of Commons by Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, but a disposition to misunderstand the ships' object have made "adjustments" in the emergency evacuation scheme necessary.—Reuter.

RAF Ready For S'hai Airlift

The Royal Air Force has completed plans for an emergency airlift between Shanghai and Hongkong to evacuate British nationals from the northern port should the necessity arise.

Four Dakota aircraft are standing by at Kai Tak, and other planes are reported to be standing by at Singapore.

RELIEFS ON WAY

Liverpool, Apr. 27.—Nearly 1,000 Royal Air Force and Royal Navy men, with 200 members of servicemen's families, left here tonight in the troopship Devonshire for Hongkong, Singapore and Colombo.—Reuter.

Britain Accused Of Intervention In China Civil War

RED RADIO SAYS THE BRITISH LION IS LIKE A PAPER TIGER

Shanghai, Apr. 28.—The Communist Peiping radio last night said four British warships shelled last week in the Yangtse were trying to intervene in the civil war.

The radio broadcast an article written by Ho Sze-ching, Professor and jurist. Ho said the British Naval spokesman had not explained what the British ships were doing in the Yangtse on the day the Nationalist government had to accept or reject the Red peace terms.

The action of the British Navy, Ho said, clearly shows the British "will is to halt the People's Liberation Army and intervene in China's civil war."

The fact that the British received the permission of the Nationalist government to sail the Amethyst upriver was interpreted by Ho to mean the British wanted to halt the Red's crossing of the Yangtse.

He said the British foreign Office "admission" that Nationalist government approval was received for the sailing "shows that the British Navy was well aware that the people's Liberation Army was at that moment preparing to cross the Yangtse River and is a proof of the British scheme to make the people's Liberation Army halt its crossing before the British Naval vessels."

Forty-three British sailors were killed and more than 100 injured in Communist attacks on the four ships—the cruiser London, the destroyer consort, the sloop Amethyst and Black Swan. The Communists said they lost more than 250 dead when the British returned fire of the Red artillery.

A "FAKE LION"

The Amethyst, the first ship fired upon, still is stranded on the Yangtse East of Nanking. The Communist professor made light of the statement in the Daily Graphic which declared:

"The guns of British ships have delivered a warning" in Asia and said the British Lion, when roused, "will show his teeth and, if needed, use them."

He said the British Lion is a "fake lion which is certainly not fiercer than a paper tiger."

He said the Reds are not afraid even of real lions:

"Those who play with fire are in danger of being consumed in the flames."

Another Communist leader was quoted by the Red radio as saying the Communists will "resist and vanquish" the imperialists if they "are so rabid as to participate in the civil war of China."

Peng Tze-min, Chairman of the Central Control Committee of the China Peasants' and Workers' Democratic Party, made the declaration in an April 25 broadcast to overseas Chinese.

Peng attacked the "traitorous treaties" which the Chiang Kai-shek led Kuomintang had signed with imperialist powers, especially the United States, and said the treaties were signed "at the expense of national rights in exchange for foreign aid to wage the civil war."—Associated Press.

REDS FANNING OUT

Shanghai, Apr. 28.—Garrison headquarters said the Communist forces on the West were fanning out from Soochow. One column moved from Soochow along the railway that leads to Shanghai. The Garrison asserted 5,000 Reds were killed at Soochow. It said fighting still was in progress.

Other Red forces moved south from Soochow along the highway toward Kashiung, 50 miles southwest of Shanghai.

Kashiung's fall would cut the railway to Hangchow, fortified city, another 50 miles down the line.

The Garrison said "crack government troops" had been sent northwest to meet the second Red column advancing on Shanghai. This column is apparently headed toward Tai-tang, 25 miles northwest of Shanghai.

Three ships loaded with Nationalist soldiers, their decks crowded with trucks and planes, left Shanghai, presumably for Formosa. It is on this island that Nationalist China may make its last stand.

The withdrawal of foreigners from threatened Shanghai continued. The U.S. President Wilson is due to sail today with 250 Americans aboard, cutting the American colony here to about 1,800. Other Americans were leaving by plane. The U.S. Navy closed its fleet post office.—Associated Press.

RAILWAY EXPLOSION

Shanghai, Apr. 27.—An explosion on the Canton-Hankow railway which disrupted traffic may have cut the escape route of 350,000 Government troops in Central China, it was feared tonight.

Reports indicated that the troops under the Hankow Commander, General Pai Chung-hsi were threatened with encirclement by the Communists. The

An Obstinate Grey Mare



This is the eight-hour story of the grey mare that was obstinate. It began at 6.30 a.m. and lasted until 2.15.

The mare, a three-year-old, was being taken from Epping to Cornwall. For hours porters and an RSPCA official tried to persuade her into a motor-horse-box at Waterloo. She defied all their efforts. Then they took her across the station to a rail van. But the grey mare, still opposed to travel, disliked the van as much as the horse-box.

A bill was sent for after a recommendation by a veterinary surgeon. But suddenly, the mare without any more trouble and she went off quietly in the 2.50 train to Launceston.

Imprisoned In Room For 10 Years

Man's Ordeal

New York, Apr. 27.—The Brooklyn police said today that they had rescued a 33-year old man, imprisoned in a sealed room for the past 10 years by his mother. The man had a long beard, was "filthy" and had apparently had no change of clothing in the past 10 years.

The police discovered him after the mother, Mrs. Anna Makushak, had to enter a hospital because of illness. She had told her friends about her son and they told the police.

Some time in 1939, the mother locked her son in a third floor bedroom and sealed the door of the room with plaster and bricks, the police said. She had done this to prevent her son from being conscripted to the armed services.

MENTALLY ILL

The son was fed through an opening in the bedroom ceiling which led to the roof—of the third-storey residence.

A doctor who examined the man said he was apparently mentally ill. The room in which he had been held was described by the police as being in "a terrible state." The man's clothing was "filthy," they said. The only sleeping place was a floor mat.

There was a small radio, equipped with earphones, a lamp and a table, and "innumerable books."

The man's father, 62-year-old Peter Makushak, a tailor, told the police that he had not seen his son for 10 or 11 years. His wife told him that he had gone to Canada.—Reuter.

India To Stay In C'wealth

London, Apr. 27.—India is to remain a "full and equal" member of the Commonwealth of Nations even though she becomes a republic within the next few months, it was officially announced here today at the conclusion of the secret six-day conference of Dominion Prime Ministers.

The Government of India have agreed to accept the king as the symbolic head of this "free association of independent members."

The eight Commonwealth leaders said in a communique that the talks had as their historical background "the traditional capacity of the Commonwealth to strengthen its unity of purpose while adapting its organisation and procedures to changing circumstances."

In a joint declaration, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Pakistan and Ceylon declared that they remained united, "as free and equal members in the Commonwealth of Nations, freely co-operating in the pursuit of peace, liberty and progress."

Spiritualists' Frightening Experience

London, Apr. 27.—Five London spiritualist mediums today had an urge to strangle themselves to death with their own hands. The impulse came over them as they donned a little black jacket belonging to the wardrobe of the London play: "The Queen Came By."

The sinister jacket had been sent to the spiritualists after actresses had complained that invisible fingers grabbed them round the throat every time they put it on.

The mediums themselves said it was even worse than that. Not only did they feel the impulse to strangle themselves, but they also felt that they were being drowned in murky waters. Their conclusion was that some person, once the owner of the jacket, must have been half-strangled and then drowned by some person or persons unknown.

One of the mediums, besides trying on the jacket, and being nearly strangled and drowned, also fell into a trance, and said that, while in that state, she was convinced that yet another garment in the play's wardrobe was being influenced by a spirit, and she will be made to perform the troublesome spirits to get out and let the play go on.—Reuter.

Triplets Include Siamese Twins

Paris, Apr. 27.—Triplets, two of them Siamese, twins, were born at Valenciennes, Northern France, Agence France Presse reported today. The twins—boys, with only one heart, one liver and two kidneys between them—did not live.

The mother and the other child, a girl, were doing well.—Reuter.

NANKING REPORT

The Communist Radio, reporting on conditions in Nanking, said that order was "rapidly restored" in the first three days of Communist occupation.

Relations between the city and the suburbs have been established. It said the people are going about business as usual and students are helping the troops to explain Red Army policies to the populace.

Tension mounted in Shanghai with economic disintegration, a greater immediate threat than the advancing Communist armies. New Gold Yuan dollar notes of 100,000 denomination were issued during the night.

The evacuation of the city stopped up and the British Consul-General appealed in newspapers for evacuees to report immediately with limited baggage and their own bedding.

The belief persisted that Shanghai might collapse "like a rotten plum pit." Most foreigners believed that it would lead to complete chaos with rice riots and widespread disturbance.

HANGCHOW PRESSURE

There were indications that a major battle was shaping up southwest of Shanghai where the Communists apparently were exerting their pressure toward Hangchow to drive a wedge between Shanghai and South China.

Reports today said that the Communists had captured Kwangchow, 53 airline miles northwest of Hangchow and Changchow, 25 miles to the east. This would place the Communists some 65 to 70 road miles from Hangchow.

The Communist radio, in claiming new victories south of the Yangtse, said the Communist forces captured Liyang on the Nanking-Hangchow highway 35 miles north of Kwangchow. The Communists also claimed the capture of a number of smaller towns and said they took 5,000 prisoners at Anking.

The defence of Shanghai was set up along a 30-mile line running from Kunshan to Taichang. Kunshan is about midway between Communist-occupied Soochow and Shanghai. Taichang is 20 airline miles northwest of Woosung.

WOOSUNG AREA

There was no indication yet whether the Red forces would drive directly on Shanghai or on Woosung. However, the presence of the Communists in

7 Killed When Police Break Up Procession

Culcutta, Apr. 27.—Seven people were reported to have been killed by gunshot and bomb splinters when the police fired on a banned Communist procession today in Calcutta's Bow Bazar area.

Nine people were injured and the casualties included five policemen. Twenty-seven arrests were made. The police opened fire after making lathi (staves) charges and using tear-gas on the demonstrators.

Crude hand-grenades were thrown at the police when they intercepted the procession, which came out in defiance of a police ban. Later, the demonstrators tried to hold up traffic.—Reuter.



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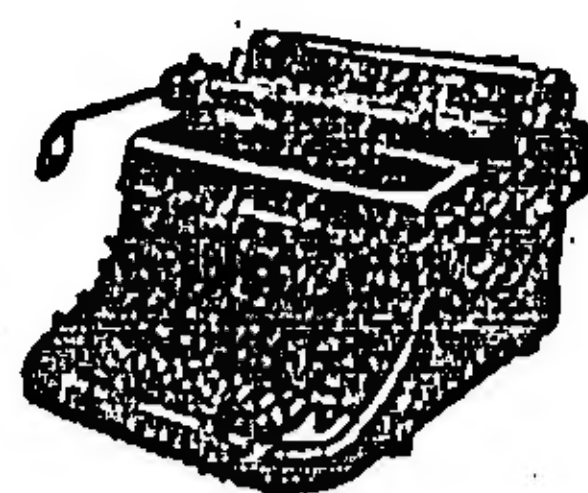
EDITORIAL

High Level Settlement Needed

THE House of Commons debate on the shelling of the Amethyst, Consort, Black Swan and London which originally was to have been fiery, provocative and embarrassing for the Government finally levelled itself off into a firm, though rather uninspiring statement by Mr. Attlee, and a few bulldog-like growls from Mr. Winston Churchill, leaving the impression that, despite a lot of words, the situation, so far as righting British wrong is concerned is unchanged. And, under the prevailing circumstances it could scarcely be otherwise. We are all deeply hurt and indignant that British warships on peaceful missions should be badly damaged and many valuable lives lost in an action provoked by Chinese partisans; but the attack was made by the Communists who have no diplomatic status with foreign powers, who are conscious of this and who, apparently, do not yet desire any such contacts. Wherefore, satisfaction concerning the Yangtse tragedy through diplomatic channels must await clarification and consolidation of the Communists as an acceptable instrument of government in China. As Mr. Attlee expressed it: the position is still fluid. By and large the Government came reasonably well out of the debate, though there were discernible weaknesses in the Prime Minister's explanation of why the Amethyst, in the first place, was ever permitted to be in the region of the Communist forces just about the time they were due to strike across the river. According to Mr. Attlee, the Reds were not due to stage their offensive until 24 hours after the Amethyst, (had it enjoyed a peaceful trip) had arrived at her destination. This information, however, was not based on direct assurances from the Communist leaders, but through press, radio and Nationalist sources. That these should be taken as a sufficient guarantee that

the Amethyst could make her trip down the river without fear of attack suggests an ingenueness not usually associated with naval chiefs and their political advisers in Whitehall. But if an error of judgment were committed in despatching the sloop at that particular time, that does not free the Communists from the responsibility and blame for attacking neutral warships whose missions were entirely divorced from hostility and provocation. And this is the issue which eventually must be taken up with the Communists when they are in a position to deal with foreign relations on normal diplomatic lines. Furthermore, if the Reds are to become the central authority in China, one of the first questions to be settled is the future rights and privileges of British and other foreign men-of-war in Chinese territorial waters. The Yangtse incident and the future position of our ships along the river and other Chinese waters can only be decided on high levels, and the sooner this is accomplished the better for our relations with the Communists. Naturally there is sympathy for Mr. Churchill's demand that the British Government should "face" this matter in a robust spirit and make sure that the British flag is respected." Furthermore there will be general approval of the Government's decision to reinforce the China Fleet: this is a token of our determination not to be ridden over rough-shod by any aggregation of politicians and militarists who happen to be in an aggressive mood. Nevertheless, taking the long-term view, our relations with the Chinese Communists cannot be reasonably determined by a clash of arms, and it was perhaps, recognition of this on both sides of the House of Commons which removed much of the anticipated acrimony from the debate on the Yangtse incident.

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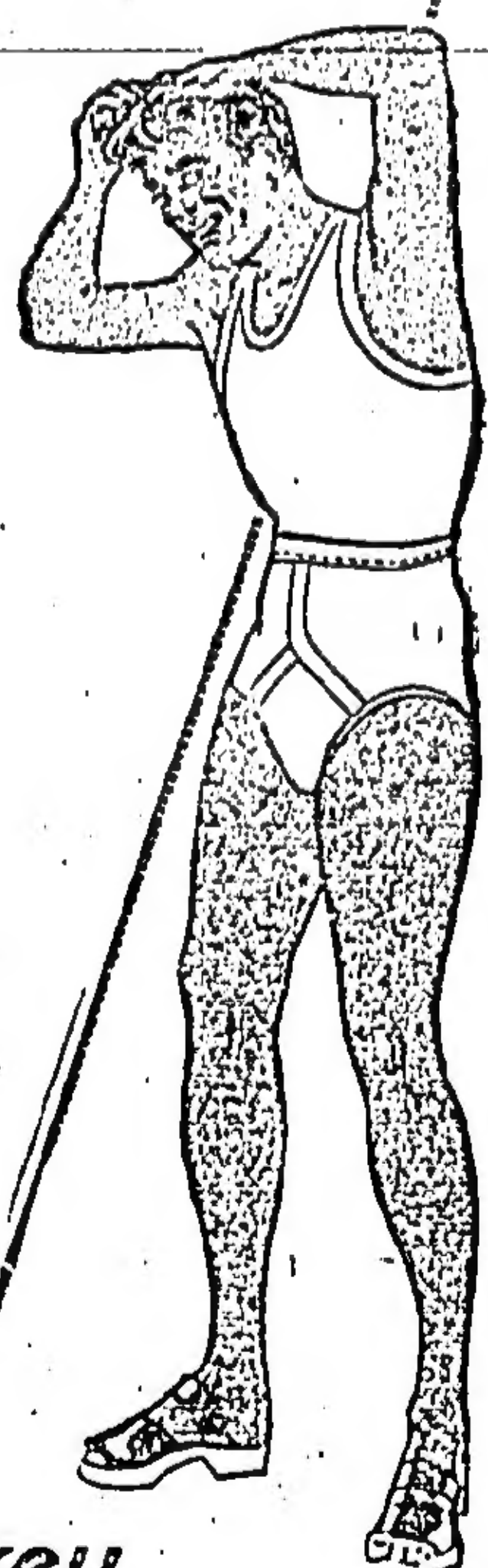
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WOMANSENSE

To Fill The Barer Parts



By ALICE ALDEN

Double-duty Furniture For One-Room Home

By ELEANOR ROSS

IT is a sign of the times that those four and six-room model furniture display jobs are making way for the one-room layout. With rents so high in many new apartment projects, young married couples, bachelors and career girls have to concentrate on one-room homes. So the various designers have come through with some helpful ideas.

The practical thing to do is to select good pieces, furniture and accessories that may be nicely integrated into the home as fortune smiles and the one-roomers advance to bigger apartments and eventually to their own home.

Living-dining-bedroom

One designer has worked out an especially appealing and sensible interior for a combination living-dining-bedroom. For beds and for daytime lounging there are two good mattresses and springs-on-legs. These are placed in a corner against a wall with a specially designed cabinet between them in which to store pillows—and extra blankets. Tailored slipcovers and bolster pieces are much better than any fancy job, the designer argues, and we agree with him. Later, when the beds take their place in a bedroom of a larger home, one of the dado pieces will serve as a double headboard.

A modern extension table provides for gracious dining, yet saves space between meal-times. Such a table is practically a necessity in the one-room home since it takes very little space when closed against the wall. Yet, comes a dinner party, and there is the table opened out to do a good job. In between times it serves as a desk or hobby table. Attractive matching chairs, cushioned and covered with a modern fabric, double as occasional chairs when required.

Double-duty Furniture

Featured in the room is a beautifully designed piece of furniture that gives no hint of its function as a wardrobe cabinet. Yet, ample, well-planned space. Such wardrobe cabinets, a boon when closet space is restricted, give the appearance of very attractive cabinets, buffets or double chests of drawers are now available in several different periods and styles. In the larger home, they integrate nicely in bedroom or dining room. Almost every furniture house is concentrating on smart double-duty furniture; the result, surely, of today's housing conditions, but pieces so designed that they are right for almost any interior.

Air Conditioning Safe For Heart Sufferers

CHICAGO—People with heart trouble can go into an air conditioned theatre on a hot summer day and not worry about any ill effects.

That conclusion was reached in a study made by the University of Illinois.

Experiments were made on 10 healthy male medical students, ranging in age from 19 to 29, and on 16 cardiac patients, from 25 to 72 years old. Results showed that there is little difference in the way persons with heart disease and those with normal hearts react to sudden changes in temperature.

See that your child is responsible for his acts—

By GARRY CLEVEL AND MYERS, Ph.D.

A MENTALLY and socially healthy person doesn't try to shift the blame for his own faults, failures and discomforts to others. Fortunately is the child who learns from his early years to face the consequences of his own acts. But to every child may come the temptation to say, "Alan told me to do it," or "Myra made me do it."

As any parent knows, a tot trained early to stay out of the street and not to harm or appropriate the property of the neighbours, may begin doing both when he later plays with other children doing such things, or that the same youngster who had not used obscene or profane language before may begin using such language after hearing it from other children.

Many parents will say it was easy to manage their child until he began playing with other children. And so some parents begin using such language after hearing it from other children.

Such problems grow more serious, to be sure. Yet it is desirable and highly possible, in spite of the influence of other children, to cultivate in your own child a sense of responsibility for his own acts. You and I know some young children who will not run into the street even when all their playmates do, or who are pretty clean in speech in spite of that they hear from others. It is a sign of early shifting of blame.

Blames

A mother complains: "My 5½-year-old boy has a habit of blaming Mother (me) for everything that happens to him. Little things, I mean, like his block house falling down, or things he can't find he is looking for that he himself has misplaced. Everything to his distaste is Mother's fault. And it is amazing the way he can think of reasons why it is my fault."

"Now while I don't like the idea particularly, it is not that which bothers me. But according to the little psychology I have studied, is this not a dangerous habit for him? Will he not blame society when he gets older?"

A Problem

In substance, I replied: You are right about the seriousness of this problem. No doubt you have tried so hard, to be

Beautiful Or Provocative?

WOULD you rather be beautiful or provocative? A well-known London photographer, Anthony Beauchamp, has bravely selected "ten most provocative women" from among his famous sitters.

They include Dame Edith Evans, Celia Johnson, Mae West (for making her debut in London at 58 and looking 38) Frances Day, Sarah Churchill (Winston's daughter). All those are actresses.

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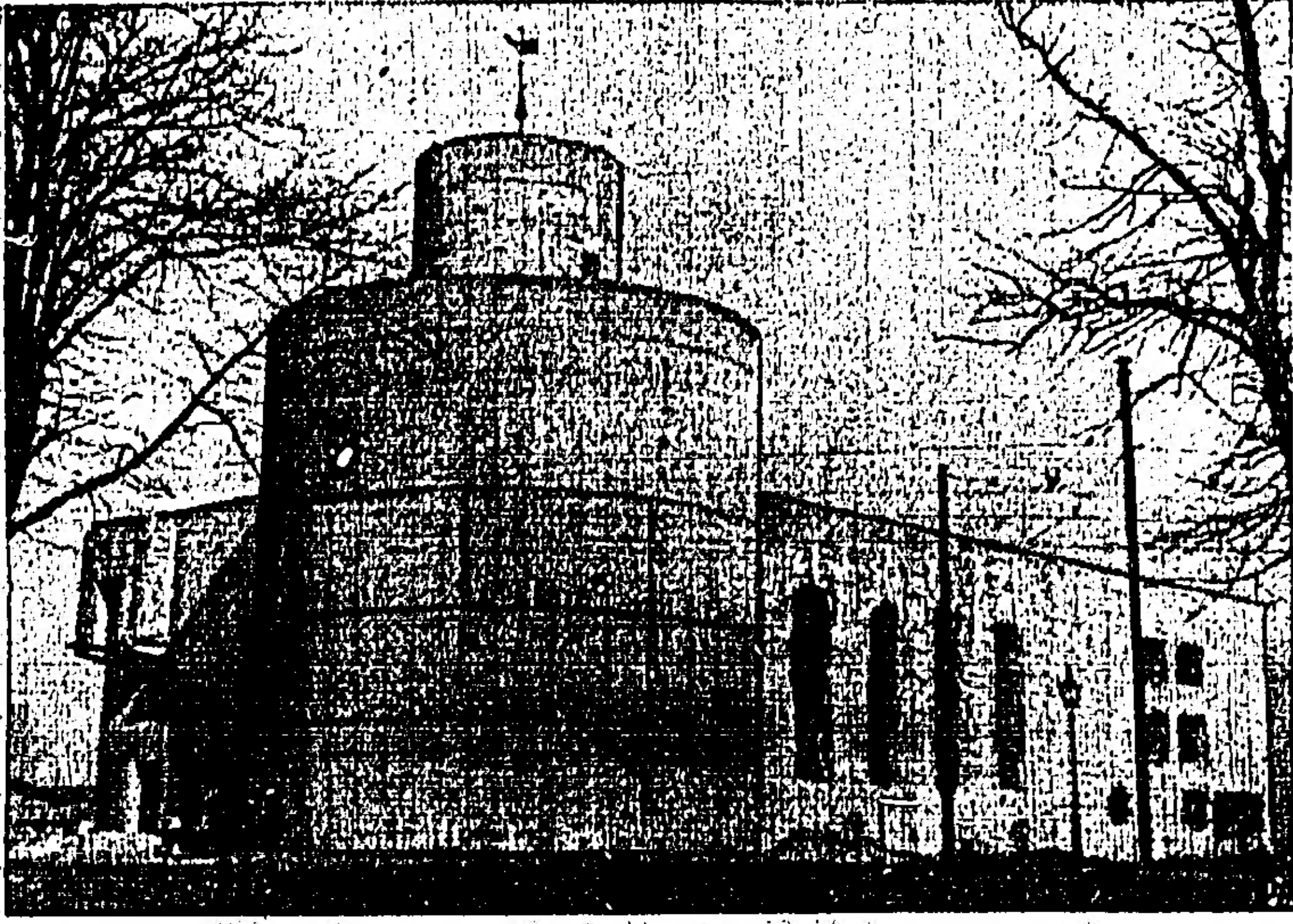
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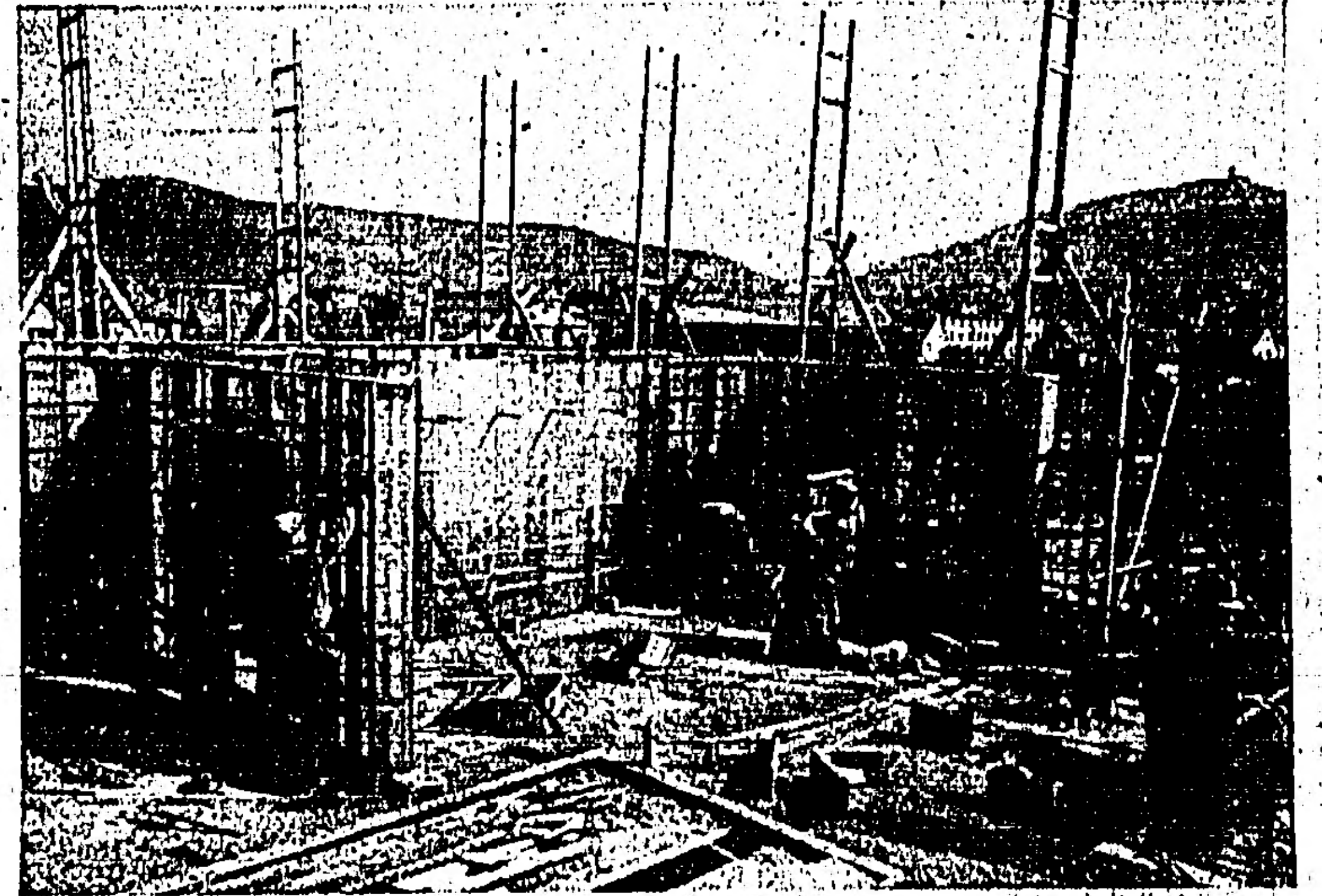
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



AIR RAID SHELTER NOW CHURCH—An air raid shelter at Duesseldorf, Heerd, Germany, is being converted into a church. Windows were blasted through the 50-inch walls.



ACTOR-MECHANIC—Film star Stirling Hayden works at a bench he has set up aboard his schooner "Brigadoon" in Los Angeles harbour, where he and Mrs Hayden live.



NEW HOUSES IN THREE WEEKS—Workmen at Weinheim, Germany, construct houses in three weeks from cement and ground bricks from war rubble poured into perforated steel forms.



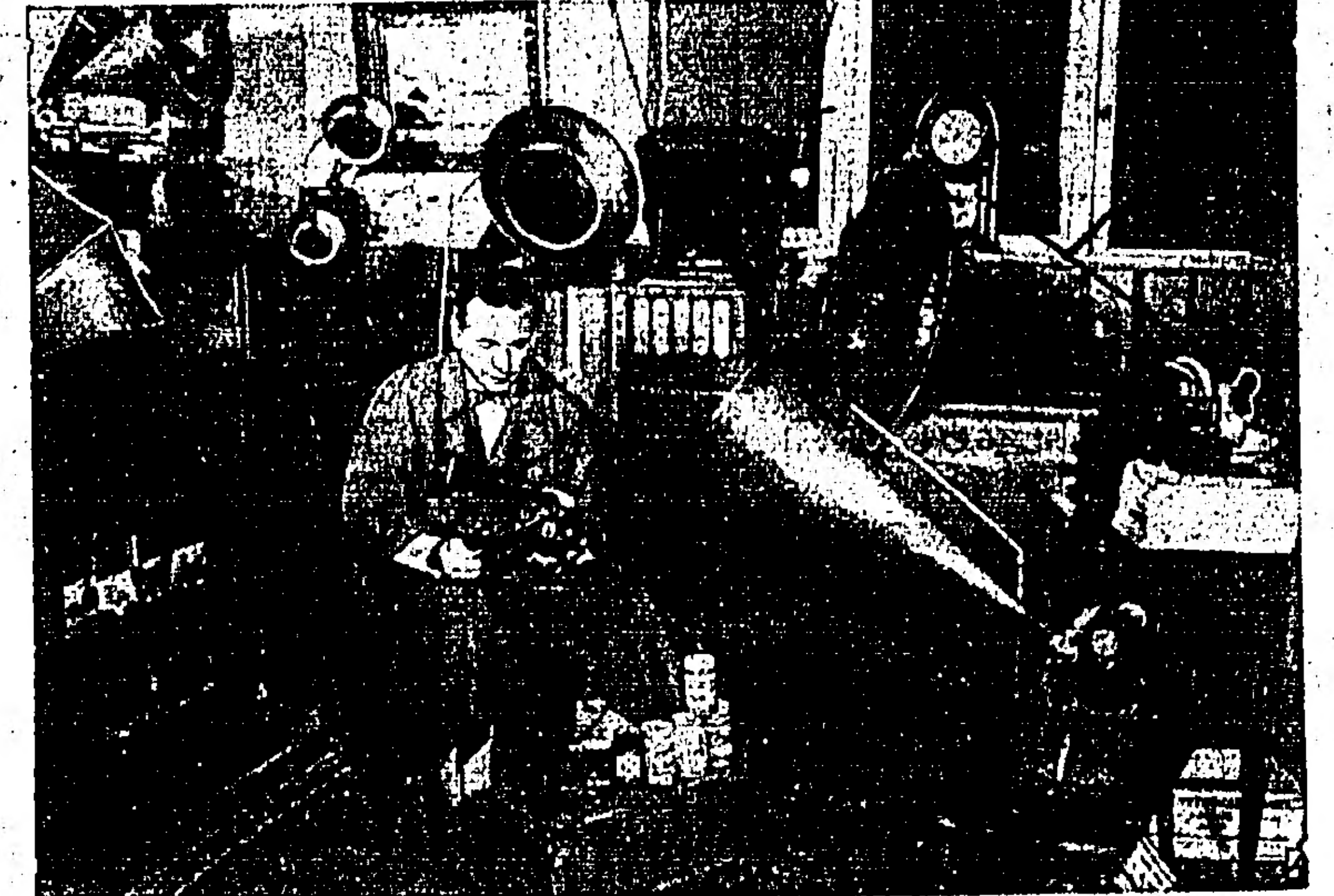
REVOLUTIONARY MODEL—Mary Lutze views at the Harding Museum, Chicago, a ship model said to have been made by an American prisoner during the Revolutionary War.



BEACHGOER—Terry Moore, of Glendale, California, a film starlet, takes the air at Miami Beach, Florida.



SCHOOL DOG—Butch, a Boston terrier, rests his chin on a chair at Chamberlain school, Charleston, W. Va., which he has attended regularly for two years. He lives at various homes near the school. Teacher, Miss Hazel Cox, says Butch is a good "pupil."



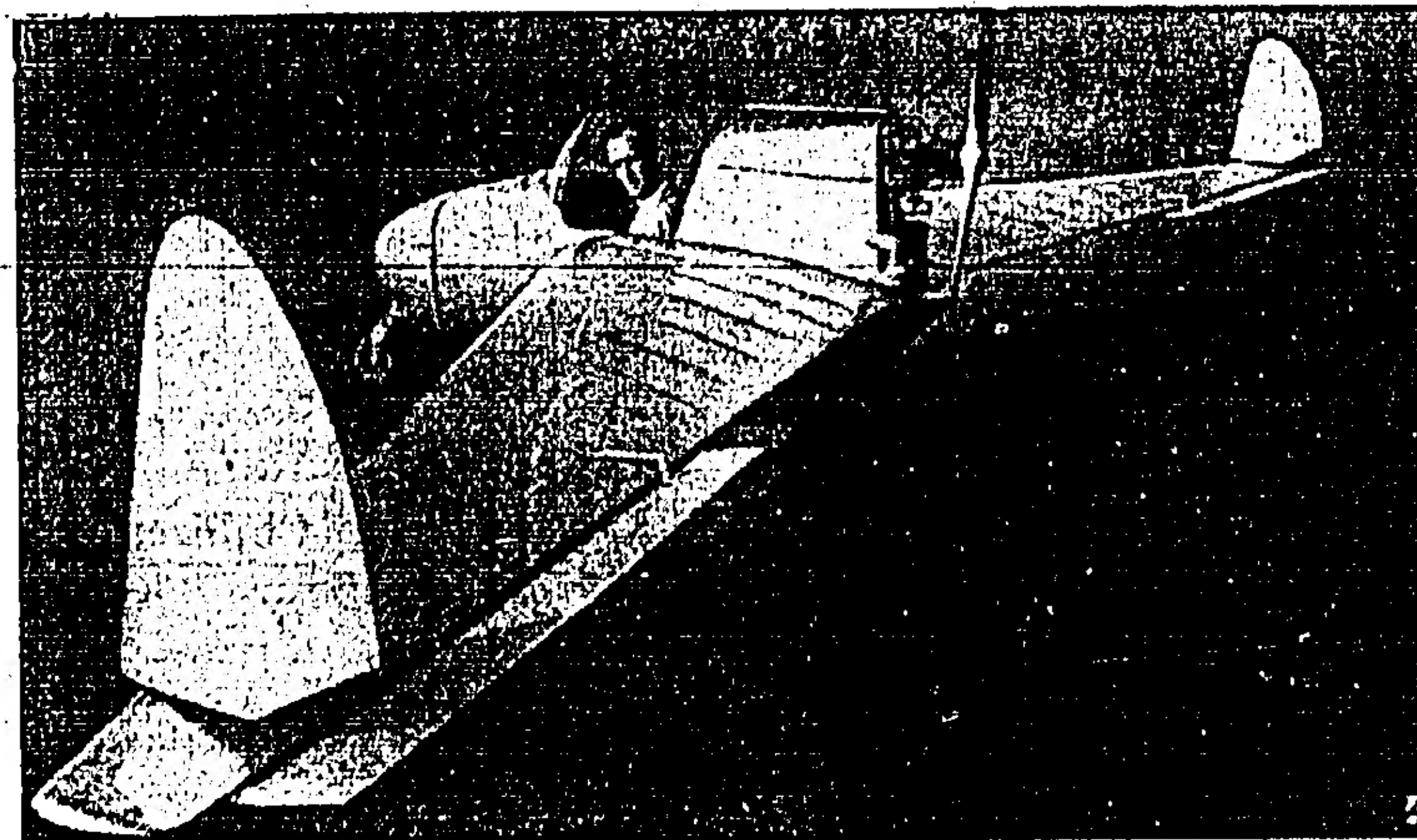
COLLECTOR—Albert Brouse, Los Angeles music teacher, collects old gramophones, records, music boxes, horseless carriages, spark plugs and car hub caps. Here he is surrounded by some of his gramophones and records dated between 1895 and 1910.



SAFETY LADDER—This ladder, shown in New York, is said to be safe from tips or slides, and folds for storage.



"MAID OF COTTON" LISTENS—Sue Howell, 1949 "Maid of Cotton" fashion ambassador, hears a cheerful word from Sir Alexander Maxwell at a party he gave for her in London.



PLASTIC PLANE—Robert M. Sebring, of San Fernando, California, sits at the controls of his 150-lb Wee Wing plastic plane with swept-back wings, designed after the "flying wing."



STUDY IN SPOKES—Workers in an English factory set spokes in the wheels of bicycles for export to the U.S. and Canada.



NEW GERMAN CAR—This is the new "Porsche Sportscar" developed by Ferdinand Porsche, builder of the German "People's Car." It will shortly go into production in Salzburg.



THREE-WAY BIBLE—Yemenite Jewish refugees en route to Israel read the Bible in Hashid Camp near Aden. Each sits in the position in which he learned to read owing to the scarcity of Bibles. Some can only read type upside down, while others have to read sideways.

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POLICE WATCH DESCRIBED IN COWIE CASE

How he and a colleague kept watch on the movements of a figure in white overalls who was examining vehicles in Gascoigne Road in front of the Kowloon Magistracy on the morning of June 5, 1947, was described by Mr. J. Johnston, Assistant Superintendent of Police, at the Supreme Court this morning, when hearing of the Cowie case continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, and a Special Jury.

The action for damages for alleged wrongful dismissal has been brought by William Henry Cowie, former Sub-Inspector of Police, against the Attorney-General of Hongkong. The hearing is in its fourth day.

Plaintiff alleged that he had suffered damages totalling \$50,000 by virtue of the wrongful dismissal without notice and in breach of contract. He was dismissed from his post as Sub-Inspector in Kowloon on August 25, 1947, by H. E. the Governor on the recommendation of a Departmental Board of Enquiry into Cowie's alleged receipt of a bribe of \$50 from one Chan Yu-tung (otherwise known as Yu Hoi-chuen).

It was Cowie's case that the money had been deliberately "planted" in his pocket by Yu on the instructions of Mr. F. W. Shafrin (former Chief of the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Police) in consideration for having certain traffic summonses against him withdrawn. Cowie claimed he had no knowledge the money was in his pocket until after his arrest on June 5, 1947.

The Special Jury empanelled comprised Messrs F. J. Horman - Fisher (foreman), Chan Sin-ming, Kenneth Chan, J. Mothersill, T. J. Pratt, R. E. Desai and S. S. Jorgensen.

Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. Y. H. Chan (Ts'o and Hodgson) appeared for plaintiff, and the Attorney-General was represented by Mr. A. Lonsdale (Crown Counsel), instructed by Mr. L. R. Andrews (Crown Solicitor).

Testifying in the witness box, Mr. J. Johnston, Assistant Superintendent of Police, said he joined the Police Force in 1932 and was a Sub-Inspector attached to the Anti-Corruption Branch under Senior Superintendent Shafrin at Police Headquarters in June, 1947. He knew Yu Hoi-chuen and saw and talked with him on June 2, 3 and 4, 1947. On the last occasion, Mr. Shafrin was also present.

MARKED NOTES

The Senior Superintendent produced five Hongkong Bank \$10 notes, the numbers of which he jotted on two pieces of paper. Witness read out the numbers to him. Mr. Shafrin retained one of the pieces of paper, and witness took the other. He also made a note of the same numbers on the back of his note-book.

The next day, June 5, at 8.30 a.m. witness went with Sub-Inspector V. M. Morrison to the Sun Sun Hotel, Nathan Road. They sat at the first table inside the entrance, from that position they commanded a view up Pakhoi Street, of the Kowloon Magistracy. About 9.45 a.m. Johnston said he saw a lorry bearing the Chinese characters Kwong Hung, which had been in front of the Magistracy, move up Gascoigne Road in the direction of Hung Hom. Witness looked at his watch and about six minutes later saw the same lorry return. The vehicle stopped at the mouth of Pakhoi Street, and witness saw a figure in white overalls who appeared to emerge from the cab of the lorry on the other side.

Just before that, heavy rain-storm had started, said Johnston. He saw the figure in white move somewhat hastily from the lorry to a taxi nearby, which he entered.

Asked who the figure in white was and who he recognised him, Johnston said he suspected the figure to be Cowie. Before the appearance of the Kwong Hung lorry, he had seen a person in white overalls walking among a number of lorries parked in front of the Magistracy, and witness was familiar with the fact that Cowie, in his duties as Vehicle Inspector, usually dressed in white overalls. There was no other figure at the time who was similarly dressed.

RECOGNISED DRIVER

The taxi drove off towards Nathan Road but the lorry was still standing where it had stopped. Witness and Morrison left the Sun Sun Hotel, crossed to the right-hand verandah in Pakhoi Street, and moved up the verandah towards the Magistracy. It was still raining heavily at this time. He then saw the lorry moving down Pakhoi Street, and as it passed the driver shouted to them. Witness noted the lorry's number to be 5353 and recognised the driver as Yu Hoi-chuen.

Leaving Morrison underneath the verandah, witness went under cover of his umbrella to the Magistracy, where he made a report to Supt. Wilson, Commanding Officer of Kowloon and the New Territories. Supt. Mottram was also in the office.

Witness stood by a window in Supt. Wilson's office with the object of trying to see if Cowie returned. On receipt of a report at 10.00 a.m. witness left the office, accompanied by Supt. Mottram, and went to Mr. Whitt's office. On the way, witness saw Morrison standing in the hall-way.

Witness went to Cowie's office, and saw Cowie sitting at his desk writing. Cowie was dressed in white overalls. Witness asked Cowie if he would go with him to Whitt's office and Cowie agreed.

"He jumped up to follow me and picked up one of those small sweat towels which he placed around his neck," Johnston continued. "Cowie followed me closely into Whitt's office where we had entered. I shut the door behind me. Mottram was standing quite near Whitt's desk. I said to Cowie that I suspected he was in possession of money previously marked by Mr. Shafrin and showed him a piece of paper with the number of five \$10 notes. I told him I proposed to search him."

DRAWING DIAGRAM

After drawing a diagram of how they were standing in the office at the time, Johnston said: "Without giving any indication that he would permit me to search him, Cowie put his right hand to his left top overalls pocket, where I had previously noticed a small white envelope protruding. With a slight half-turn movement to his left, Cowie placed a bundle of articles on the table. I could see banknotes among the articles. Cowie then quickly ran his hands through the other pockets of his overalls and then spread out the articles on the table with his hands. I did not see anything else come from any other pocket."

Mr. Lonsdale: Is it customary to allow a person whom you proposed to search to empty his pockets himself?

Witness: I should say not. I would say it is an undesirable practice.

Did you make any attempt to intervene to prevent him from doing so?—No.

Have you any reason to give for why you were afraid that if you did intervene there might possibly have been a mix-up or a flurry in which the money may have been thrown to the ground and it would have been impossible then to say exactly where the money did come from.

With regard to the banknotes you saw, explain their position relative to the other articles on the table.—They were among the first batch of articles placed there from the left upper pocket.

Witness demonstrated to the Court the way in which he saw the banknotes folded. He also said he took a list of the other articles from Cowie's pocket.

Asked if Cowie said anything from the time he said he proposed to search him until the time he spread the things out on the table, Johnston said Cowie did not utter a single word.

The hearing is proceeding.

Acheson Urges Approval Of Atlantic Pact

Washington, Apr. 27.—Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, today urged Congress to approve both the North Atlantic Pact and the proposed \$1,450,000,000 military aid programme, as measures contributing to world wide security.

Mr. Acheson appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to open the hearings on the pact, which was signed in Washington on April 4. He said the cost of the arms programme would be \$1,300,000,000 for Atlantic Pact countries and \$320,000,000 for other countries, such as Greece and Turkey.—Associated Press.

Sir Robt Ho Tung Postpones Trip

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who was to have left the Colony by air tomorrow for England, has postponed his trip for a few days. It is as yet uncertain when he will depart, but the probable date is May 2.

Italian Sun Smiles On Princess Margaret

Naples, Apr. 27.—In brilliant sunshine, Princess Margaret arrived here by plane today to begin a month's private visit to Italy.

Sir Victor Mallet, the British Ambassador, was waiting at Capodichino Airport when the twin-engined Viking—part of the King's Flight—landed on time.

The 10-year-old Princess will spend one night here in an hotel suite overlooking the famous Bay of Naples and the island of Vesuvius. She will leave for Capri tomorrow by motor launch and later will visit Sorrento, Rome, Florence, Venice and Stresa.

At her own wish, she will be treated as a private visitor. She will stay in hotels during her tour, except in Rome, where she will stay at the British Embassy.

The Princess' three-roomed hotel suite in Naples was decorated with pink roses chosen by the Italian President, Signor Luigi Einaudi—a graceful compliment to her full name, Margaret Rose.

Rome newspapers today warned the "scoglietti" (water-front boys) of Naples not to expect Princess Margaret to follow the Neapolitan tradition of throwing gold coins into the Bay for them to retrieve.

ONLY £50

The Princess was carrying only £50, the official British tourist allowance, the papers said, and would have no money to spare.

Most newspaper stressed that Princess Margaret was visiting Italy because she wanted to, not "as a matter of high policy."

As the Princess, in a blue-grey dress and a white straw hat, stepped down from the plane, she was surrounded by about 50 photographers and hundreds of reporters. She stood smiling shyly as flashlight bulbs popped.

A crowd waiting at the hotel surged forward as she arrived. The electricity cut had been restored earlier than usual today in honour of her arrival, and lights and lifts were working.—Reuter.

Storm Over Turkish Tea Party

American Accused Of "Corrupting" Young Girls

Istanbul, Apr. 27.—Turkish police, fearing violence, today kept close guard over the United States information officer Mr. James MacFarland, after local newspapers had erroneously accused him of sponsoring a party where young Turkish girls were "corrupted."

The precautions were taken after Mr. MacFarland's life had been threatened three times over an incident which occurred at a reception given in the Turkish Parliament.

Mr. MacFarland said he had neither arranged nor attended the party which had precipitated the campaign against him. Public outcry against the party had reached such proportions that the Prime Minister has agreed to make a personal explanation in Parliament this week.

The party was given on April 20 at the American Young Men's Christian Association for American sailors from the destroyers Buchanan and McCall sent to Turkey under the military aid programme. Forty Turkish schoolgirls were invited for tea and dancing.

Americans who attended the party said it would have been considered "very tame" in the United States. Nothing stronger than tea was served, they said, and the only "immorality" was jiggling and a possible stolen kiss in a dark corner. They said the girls were chaperoned and not permitted to leave the party with the sailors.

However, next day the newspaper Yeni Sabah published an editorial calling the affair a drunken party at which young Turkish girls were corrupted. The Yeni Sabah is a nationalist organ which resents American military aid in Turkey. Other newspapers picked up the story and public maturing against the party has increased daily.

During the past two days crowds have gathered around Mr. MacFarland's home and office. Reporters have heard speakers urge slaying of the building, but there has been no violence so far.—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I know it's beyond our means, but with a television set like that, we wouldn't have to go out so many places we can't afford!"

TUC's ATTEMPT TO FORM NEW WORLD BODY

London, Apr. 27.—Britain's 8,000,000-strong Trades Union Congress is to approach trade union movements in other countries throughout the world to invite their help in forming a new Trade Union International.

The General Council of the TUC decided today on this first positive action since the British, United States and Dutch members of the World Federation of Trade Unions walked out of that organisation in January.

The American Federation of Labour and the Congress of Industrial Organisations are associated with the TUC in the new move. Consultation with other national trade union centres—most of which are still within the now Communist-led WFTU—will begin immediately.

The TUC hopes that a preliminary conference may be called fairly soon. If necessary, it will organise such a conference on its own initiative, but it would prefer the active co-operation of other national centres.

A strong TUC delegation, which recently negotiated with the two principal American trade union movements, reported to the General Council today complete agreement on future international policy.

It was the TUC which took the initiative in forming the WFTU four years ago.

The General Council today approved a decision to inform

Boy Murderer Leaves Gaol

Chicago, Apr. 27.—A 14-year-old boy, acquitted of murder, was freed today after spending 18 months in gaol during his two trials. The boy, Howard Long, was 12 when he was said to have knifed a seven-year-old companion and crushed his head with a piece of concrete.

The alleged killing occurred during a quarrel in a goods yard west of Chicago on October 18, 1947.

The Illinois Supreme Court held that the State failed to prove in Howard's first trial that he understood the magnitude of his crime and his plea of guilty. The judge ruled yesterday that there was no proof in the second trial that Howard knew right from wrong at the time of his playmate's death.—Reuter.

Britain Accused By Reds

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the Woonung area had forced the American and British Navies to move out of the Shanghai area.

Meanwhile, Generalissimo Chiang attacked the Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, for "double-crossing" the people by peace negotiations and said that Mao was "seeking to enslave the Chinese people to the cause of International Communism." Chiang made the statement in his capacity as Director General of the Kuomintang which has ruled China for 30 years.

He said, "Although I retired from my post as President I cannot lightly disregard my responsibilities as a citizen at a time when our country is faced with danger and our people on the brink of disaster."—United Press.

Magdalena's Crew All Safe

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 27.—Five of the crew of the British Royal Mail liner Magdalena, who had been reported missing since the ship broke in two at the entrance to the harbour here yesterday, have been found, a representative of the Line said today.

"The crew are all safe," he added. The Magdalena was being towed into harbour after going aground on a rock on Monday, when she broke her back.

Eyewitnesses said earlier that the five men reported missing were in a lifeboat which struck out on its own when the crew left the vessel in Rio de Janeiro Bay, and that they had not been heard of since.

The crew were able to save most of their luggage, but the 350 passengers, rescued soon after the Magdalena was aground, landed with little more than what they wore.

The Royal Mail Line office has been besieged by passengers since the mishap. The ship's master, Captain D. R. Lee, is staying with the ship's doctor. He is reported to be in acute distress.—Reuter.

A United Press message adds that maritime officials who worked to try to save the Magdalena thought it had struck bottom at the entrance of the harbour yesterday, breaking in two as a result.

The mouth of the harbour is shallower than the rest of the bay but deep enough to take the biggest liners.

The Magdalena was being towed in with its bow low in the water, and one official said it was the bow which apparently hit the bottom and broke off.—United Press.

Qantas BRINGS YOU "The Story of Flight" OVER REDIFFUSION 7.30 TONIGHT

HK Radio History Is Made

UNIQUE RELAY TO THE BBC

For the first time ever, Radio Hongkong and the BBC in London were yesterday linked together by a two-way radio-telephony circuit, as a result of which listeners to last night's Radio-Newsreel, both overseas and in Britain, heard eyewitness accounts of the shelling of British warships on the Yangtse, originating from the Radio Hongkong studios.

This event also served as an experiment for the projected two-way radio-telephony circuit between Hongkong and London which it is hoped shortly to make available to the general public.

Yesterday Radio Hongkong's studios were linked to Cape D'Aguilar, where a five kilowatt transmitter sent the eyewitness accounts of the Yangtse incidents to Colombo, which simultaneously relayed them through another five kilowatt transmitter to the BBC studios where the interviews and descriptions coming from the Hongkong studios were recorded for Radio-Newsreel.

Last night overseas listeners to this BBC feature heard Lieut. Jack Considine, navigating officer of HMS Consort, describe the Yangtse shelling in a five-minute interview.

For the home edition of that issue of Radio-Newsreel, six other members of the crew of HMS Consort gave eyewitness stories. Those taking part were AB McKee, Ldg Electrician's Mate Morgan, Ldg Seaman Hallam, AB MacCallum, Stoker Richardson and Stoker Roberts. The facilities for making this historic broadcast were provided in Hongkong by Cable and Wireless.

Radio Hongkong

12.30, Daily Programme Summary: 12.30, "From the Film"; 1.00, Music from Hawaii; 1.15, News; 1.30, Report and Announcements; 1.35, Interlude; 1.50, "Orchestra of the Week"; 2.00, Close Down. 6.00, Programme Summary: 6.01, Children's Story; 6.15, "Matilda and Bill are Pixy-Led"; 6.30, "Down Beat Discs"; 6.45, "Down Beat Discs"; 6.50, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.00, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.10, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.20, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.30, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.40, "Down Beat Discs"; 7.50, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.00, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.10, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.20, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.30, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.40, "Down Beat Discs"; 8.50, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.00, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.10, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.20, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.30, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.40, "Down Beat Discs"; 9.50, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.00, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.10, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.20, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.30, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.40, "Down Beat Discs"; 10.50, "Down Beat Discs"; 11.00, "Down Beat Discs"; 11.10, "Down Beat Discs"; 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The Army Shows How An Athletic Meet Should Be Run

By "RECORDER"

Standards at the Land Forces Hongkong Athletic Championships at Sookunpoo yesterday may not have been high but the standard of organisation was the best ever seen in this Colony in the past decade.

The spectators, if far removed from some of the field events, were kept informed of what was going on through a loud-speaker system, even to "Now jumping at 4 feet 10 inches. There are six competitors left at this height. They are, etc."

The field events and the shorter races were so distributed over the field as to permit stands at either end to have a close-up of half the programme and flags marked World, British and Army records for the throwing events.

The 25 Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, through not being shy of such an outlandish event as the hop, step and jump, and the high hurdles, nosed out the 1 Buffs for the Challenge Cup by 104 points to 94.

Third place in the team championship went to a Field Security Section team of two—WO1 Hunt and Sgt. Jacques—who between them scored 32 points.

Jacques, who won the 220 yards, also scored points in the high jump, long jump, hop, step and jump, and the javelin throw, contributing 10 points to the two-man effort for the best individual all-round performance of the meet.

Hunt won the long jump and scored also in the 220 yards and hop, step and jump for 13 points.

Other scores were 2/10 Gurkhas 27; Hongkong Chinese Training Unit 14 and Royal Army Service Corps 4.

SURPRISING

The poor showing of the Gurkhas, generally regarded as natural athletes, may seem surprising but, on viewing them in action yesterday, I must say that I have never seen any athletic team with such an abnormal lack of acquaintance with the science of this sport.

The runners, good though they were, had very little tactical sense and were out in front running for all they were worth in the race after race only to see their opponents, with a better sense of pace, all pass them in the last 50 yards to the tape.

Their jumpers had a lot of natural spring but could not make any proper use of their

approach run and their timing on the take-off was conspicuous for the fact that it was not there.

Their one individual winner, Col. Gajbhing Tamang, who won the high jump by clearing 5 feet 1 inch, was good for another seven inches. A natural jumper, he has to learn that it isn't spring alone that gets one over the bar.

Times on the whole were poor and one is inclined to wonder exactly what the King George V Schoolboys will do against the Combined Army team in the dual meet that is to come off.

Only in the sprints did the Army show that it had any competition to offer against any other Colony team, Stepto and Jacques both being sprinters who should hold their own against the best.

Kirwell, who won the half-mile and mile, should be able to go faster than he did yesterday in the shorter event, but the schools here have runners who could hold their own with him.

WORTHY OF NOTE

The scoring was on the six points for first place down to one for sixth place system and the race judges had little difficulty in sorting out the places.

It is about time that this system was introduced into other athletic meets in this Colony, particularly into the Inter-School meet where judges are plentiful but fourth place and on has little encouragement though the boys may have run an excellent race to finish inches away from third place.

There were not more officials at the Land Forces Championships yesterday than there normally are at other athletic meets. In fact, it seemed to me that there were fewer.

Particularly well directed were the field events and the showmanship that went into them must have been inspiring for per-

formers in a section of athletics that is normally given very little encouragement.

If performances were comparatively poor, they were an improvement on last year's and the effort to popularise the field events has, apparently, paid some dividend.

It was only in the high jump that performance fell below par. The reason for this was only too obvious—the pit was so small and the depth of gravel wasn't easy on a landing. Quite a few of the jumpers consistently landed outside the pit or on the edge of it.

Tonight's Chess

By "GAMBIT"

The best match on the programme at the Peninsula Hotel this evening in the second round of the Annual Tournament for the Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club is between J. P. de Carvalho and L. Schure, both finalists in the Colony Championship last year.

Carvalho, son of D. E. de Carvalho, many times Colony Champion before the war, is a steadily improving player and has been winning consistently from Schure in friendly encounters. Schure is the better player but is likely to lose before Carvalho's steady play based on keeping open always a drawing possibility.

Last week, Carvalho drew with Briukoff when a bishop and two pawns down in the endgame while Schure had a hard time of it winning from Feldman.

Briukoff meets Marchetti, who has started well by drawing with Zilinsky in their postgame game. Zilinsky, highly-recommended for the Championship, meets Feldman, a good player with a tendency to be overawed when up against stronger opposition.

In the other section, two first round winners meet in Froloppov and Carter and two losers in Ramler and Danenberg. The third game has already been played off, Joseph Tausz winning from Kolichoff to lead the section with two consecutive wins.

Tausz had a hard job of it winning his second point, being two pawns down at one stage and very much on the defensive, but won through very nicely in a long middle-game after 38 moves for a well-earned victory.

KCC TENNIS

Results of the Kowloon Cricket Club Tennis Handicap Tournament matches played yesterday were: Ladies' Doubles—Miss Linton and Miss Tamworth (two 40) beat Miss Ward and Miss Fisher (two 10), 6-3, 6-2. Men's Doubles—R. S. Capell and W. A. Nicholas (two 20) beat R. O. Baker and W. Golding (two 10), 6-3, 1-6, 6-2. Men's Singles—J. Guest (five 20) beat J. W. Tattersall (ten 10), 4-6, 6-2, 6-2. Ladies' Singles—Miss Lamber Baker (two 10) beat Mrs. H. C. Lablanc (two 10) by 6-7, 6-4. The game had been suspended because of dim light and will be resumed to-day.

TODAY'S MATCHES

This evening's matches are: E. G. P. Guest vs J. Arzooni. Mrs. Lo and Wiggins vs Miss Figueiredo and A. E. P. Guest. Capt. Turner Cooke and D. Chen vs J. Fenton and C. Koteval. Dr. N. Y. Ng vs W. Gillespie. R. H. Griffiths vs A. V. White.

SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



THE COUNTY CRICKET SEASON

SOUTHERN COUNTIES WILL PROVIDE A SERIOUS CHALLENGE

Middlesex Could Win In A Dry Summer

London, Apr. 27.—County clubs in the South of England are again expected to offer a serious challenge for Championship honours this season. Glamorgan are certain to make a determined effort to retain the title, but Surrey and Middlesex, who were second and third, respectively, last season, each possess a workmanlike team capable of carrying off the prize.

Among the Southern counties, Middlesex, ably led by George Mann, hold the best chance, especially if the summer is dry, for then their ability of fast scoring to give the maximum time to their bowlers to dismiss the opposition twice, will be given full scope.

With only four Tests, three days each, it will mean less lengthy absences of their stars, Denis Compton and Bill Edrich and other Test possibilities in Mann, Robertson and Young.

Middlesex's only crying need is for bowlers of pace, as Gray is approaching the veteran stage as a fast bowler and Edrich has not been quite the same

when they finished third from the bottom. The two rising counties in the south are Essex and Hampshire. Essex will feel the loss of their 23-year-old fast bowler, Ken Preston, who broke a leg on the soccer field, and they will be further handicapped by the fact that Peter Smith, leg bowler, who topped the Essex bowling figures in 1948, may not be able to play throughout the season following an operation.

For speed bowling the County will rely on Trevor Bailey, the Cambridge double blue. He will be backed up by Eric Vignar and Ray Smith. T. N. Pearce, who first captained Essex 16 years ago, will again have Avery, Dodds and Horsfall to provide the backbone of the batting.

Hampshire perform best in a wet season, for Bailey, Knott and Hill are able to exploit a wet pitch to the full. With three promising newcomers and all the regular men available the side can do even better than last time when their keenness carried them into the ninth position.

Finally, there is Sussex, who have scoured the County for new faces. Several newcomers have been signed on, but unless they can make their presence felt, then Sussex cannot hope to do much this season, particularly as Harry Parks, one of their best batsmen, has retired and the fast bowler, Carey, has left them.—Reuter.

Clarke has been promoted from club cricket to replace Brian Valentine, who has retired. Kent can be expected to improve on last season's effort.



Glamorgan v. All-England XI

Cardiff, Apr. 27.—Cyril Washbrook, England and Lancashire opening batsman, began his cricket season with a characteristic century against the Champions, Glamorgan, here to-day.

Playing for an All-England XI in a two-day match, which is a prelude to the season's official opening on Saturday, Washbrook dominated the batting and completed his hundred in just over three hours. His stroke play, aided by quick footwork, was as varied as ever and throughout he played entertaining cricket before a 2,000 crowd, chilled by wintry weather conditions.

Washbrook altogether scored 115 and with Laurie Fishlock, who made 40, added 79 in 55 minutes for the third wicket. Eric Bedser scored a useful 61 before Norman Yardley declared the innings closed at 309 for 8 wickets.

When stumps were drawn for the day Glamorgan had made 71 for 3 in reply.—Reuter.

TRAINER COLLAPSES

Newmarket, Apr. 26.—Walter Earl, the trainer of the Derby favourite, Swallow Tail, collapsed in the Members' Stand during the racing at Newmarket to-day. He was taken from the course by an ambulance to the Royal Memorial Hospital, where he was stated to be "quite comfortable."

Mr. Earl, who was appointed trainer to Lord Derby, the owner of Swallow Tail, in 1939, was previously trainer to the late Mr. S. Joel.—Reuter.

VIC MITCHELL

London, Apr. 26.—Vic Mitchell, who won the Lincolnshire Handicap in 1939, on Squadron Castle, when an apprentice, is back in England after riding with considerable success in India.

He goes to the stable at eight stone.—Reuter.

Golf Champion Eliminated

Formby, Lancashire, Apr. 27.—Alan Helm lost his title of English golf champion today when in a third round match of this year's championship he was beaten by Ian Calder, a local player, who was the Lancashire County champion ten years ago.

Helm's own mistakes on the putting greens contributed to his two holes defeat.—Reuter.



SCOTLAND BEATS FRANCE

Glasgow, Apr. 27.—Scotland retained their undefeated home record against Continental teams when they beat France by two goals to nil in their international soccer match at Hampden Park, Glasgow, tonight before a crowd of over 130,000.

The two goals, one in each half, came from Billy Steel, the Derby County inside forward, and the huge crowd went home pleased with a fast and interesting game.

The French team could not be taught any of the finer points of the game, and their defence was tough and sound. The game was largely a tale of two goalkeepers—Vignel, who by great ability prevented a disaster for France in the first half, and Cowan, who after the interval saved Scotland repeatedly when he picked up close range shots out of the air with great confidence.—Reuter.

Belfast Celtic On Tour

Belfast, Apr. 26.—The Belfast Celtic team left here today on the first stage of their trip to the United States and Canada, leaving behind them a very disappointed man in 21-year-old Jimmy Jones, their £10,000 centre-forward.

Still nursing a leg broken in a riot which followed a match on December 26, he was advised by doctors not to travel. "I had set my heart on making the tour, but it can't be helped," Jones said at the railway station.

Jones had his leg broken when part of the 30,000 crowd invaded the pitch and surrounded the players in a match between Belfast Celtic and Linfield on the latter's ground. The Belfast Celtic party for the United States consists of 16 players and officials. It will leave Cobh, Eire, for New York in the liner Mauretania on Wednesday.

The team's tour, which embraces eight matches, is the first by an Irish football club to the United States. All but two of the players travelling have appeared in international matches.—Reuter.

Home Football

London, Apr. 27.—The results of soccer games played today were:

First Division	
Derby County 2 Aston Villa 2	
Everton 2 Manchester U. 0	
Manchester C. 0 Arsenal 3	
Middlesbrough 1 Stock City 1	
Second Division	
Bury 1 Plymouth 1	
Third Division (Southern)	
Bristol City 0 Swansea T. 0	
Reading 2 Southend 1	
Third Division (Northern)	
Abercrombie 0 Rochdale 0	
Crewe 2 Bradford C. 1	
New Brighton 3 Barnold 1	

Soccer Changes

The following changes in times and dates of football matches are announced:

First period from 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and the second period from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. The 2nd Division match between Talkoo and Club will now be played on Club ground (not Caroline Hill) on Sunday, at 5.30 p.m. St. Joseph's v. Navy game (1st Div.) will be played on (Saturday, April 30, at the Club ground, 5 p.m. Referee: W. Gaffney. Lincmen, Sgt. Man-son and P. P. L.

Soccer Results

SECOND DIVISION	
South China 0 Army Kin 2	
Solihull 0 Police 3	
Chinese AA 1 K M Bus 2	

TODAY'S MATCHES

Second Division
PCA Dockyard, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: N. Collins.
Tramways v. Army-HK, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: S. Y. Kwok.
Talkoo v. Navy; Caroline Hill, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: W. Crawford.
WD Chinese v. Club (Cancelled).

Basketball League

The three matches of the Colony Basketball League to be played at Caroline Hill to-night starting at 8 p.m. are:

"B" Division, Ning Chung v. Bui Tat School; Kin. Chinese YMCA v. HK Chinese YMCA.

"A" Division, Kung Man v. HK Chinese YMCA.

HKFC Team

The following will represent the HKFC v. Kwong Wah, at Boundary St., at 8 p.m. on Saturday.
Cotton, Fowler, Strange, Beck, Furrow, Weller, Barclay, Mul-ten, Nelson, Kiernan, Malm.

LAWN BOWLS.

On Saturday, 3.30 p.m., Talkoo Club entertain Hong Kong Electric in a five rink bowling contest. The players chosen to represent Talkoo:

J. Nimmo, T. R. Maclean, A. St. John, E. Chalmers (skip), W. Cunningham, W. McCall, J. D. Baxter, C. Howard (skip).

W. Nicolson, C. McCallan, J. Wald, J. H. Kinniburgh (skip).
J. Bower, J. A. Smith, F. B. Thomson, J. A. Watson (skip).
H. Baker, D. R. Daly, R. D. Marshall, W. G. McKie (skip).
Members and visitors not playing in the contest are permitted to play at the same time as the game is in progress.

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FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

New York, Apr. 27.		Closing Prices
Castor seed, per long ton, F.O.B. Brazil ..	US\$ 103 nom.	
Cotton seed, per long ton, F.O.B. Memphis	40 "	
Flax seed, per bushel, F.O.B. Minnesota ..	0 "	
Linseed oil, per lb. in tank cars, F.O.B. New York	27.6 cents	
Peanut oil, per lb. F.O.B. New York	13-1/4 "	

Karens Routed In Five-Day Battle

Rangoon, Apr. 27.—Burmese Government forces have killed 500 Karen rebels in a fierce five-day battle at Daikun, a railway town 78 miles north of Rangoon, a communiqué issued here to-night said.

Government troops repulsed a Karen attack on a nearby village, it added. Daikun is in the district of Pegu, where martial law was enforced today.

The communiqué also reported that White Band Volunteers ejected from Mandalay were now massing in adjacent towns. It said striking Government employees under dismissal orders were at present administering the towns of Tokokk and Myingyan, southwest of Mandalay.

In Northern Burma, the Karens have taken over the administration of Thabon, an important railway town, after defeating the Burmese District Commissioner, the communiqué added.

CHINESE DESERTERS

Deserters from the Chinese Nationalist forces are infiltrating in large numbers into Kengtung State on the eastern border of Burma, pro-Government sources here said today.

They linked the presence in Rangoon of a special emissary of the Kengtung ruler with the deteriorating situation on the China-Burmese border, suggesting that he had come to seek aid from the Burmese Government in sealing off the eastern frontier.

Reports from Kengtung said fighting had broken out on the China border, between Chinese Nationalist troops and Communist guerrillas. After this, Nationalist deserters were reported to have fled with their families into Burma.

Many of these deserters have been disarmed by the Burmese Army, but large numbers are still at large, taking refuge in the jungle-clad hills, the reports said.

Communist guerrillas entering Kengtung on the heels of the deserters are reported to have looted border villages north of the town of Kengtung.—Reuter.

Stage Coach To Earn Dollars For Britain

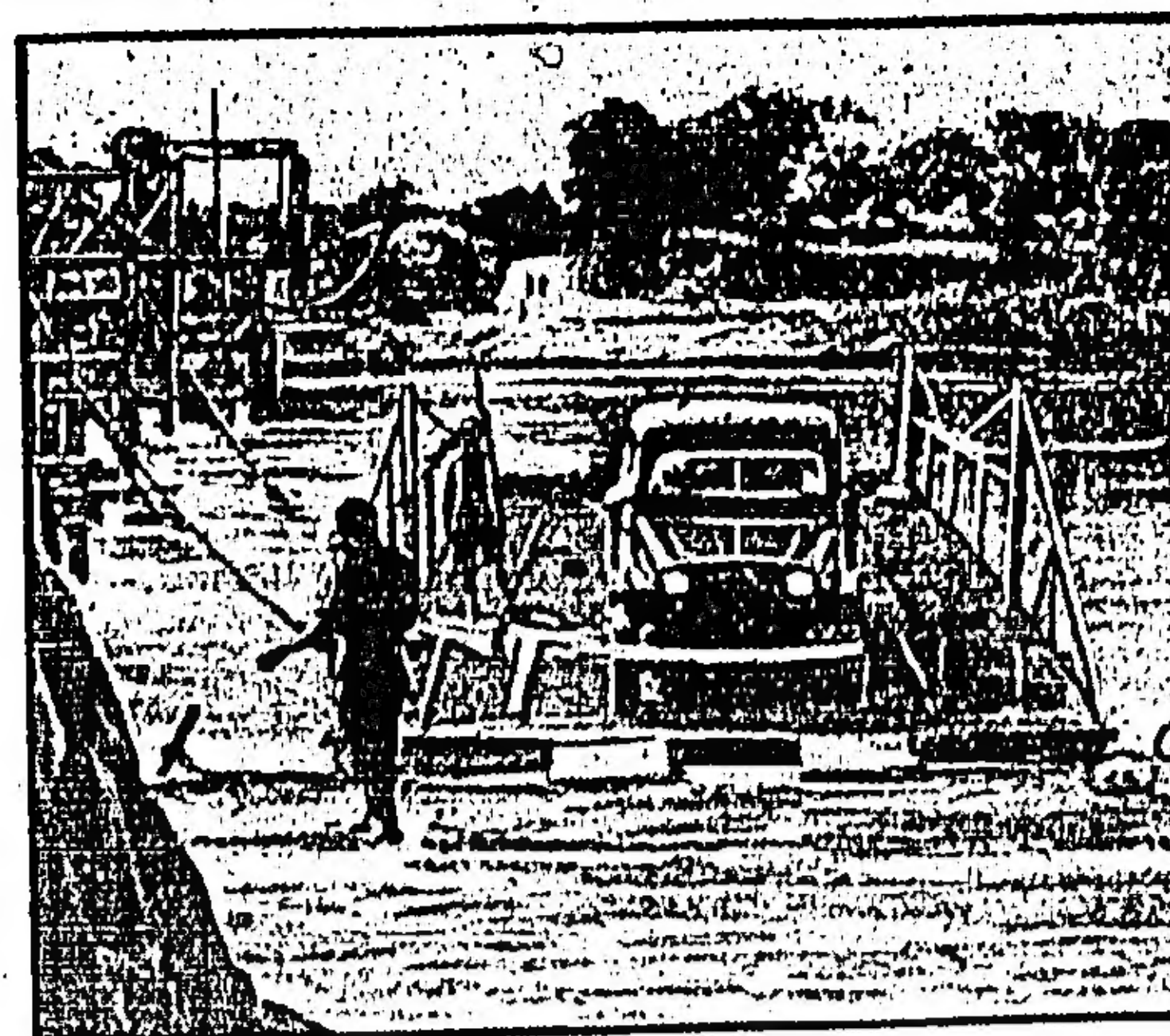
London, Apr. 27.—A century-old stage coach, brought out of retirement, will soon be once again a familiar sight in the streets of London—earning dollars for the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

A London company has arranged sight seeing tours in a coach and four, which are expected to prove a special attraction to overseas tourists and to Americans in particular.

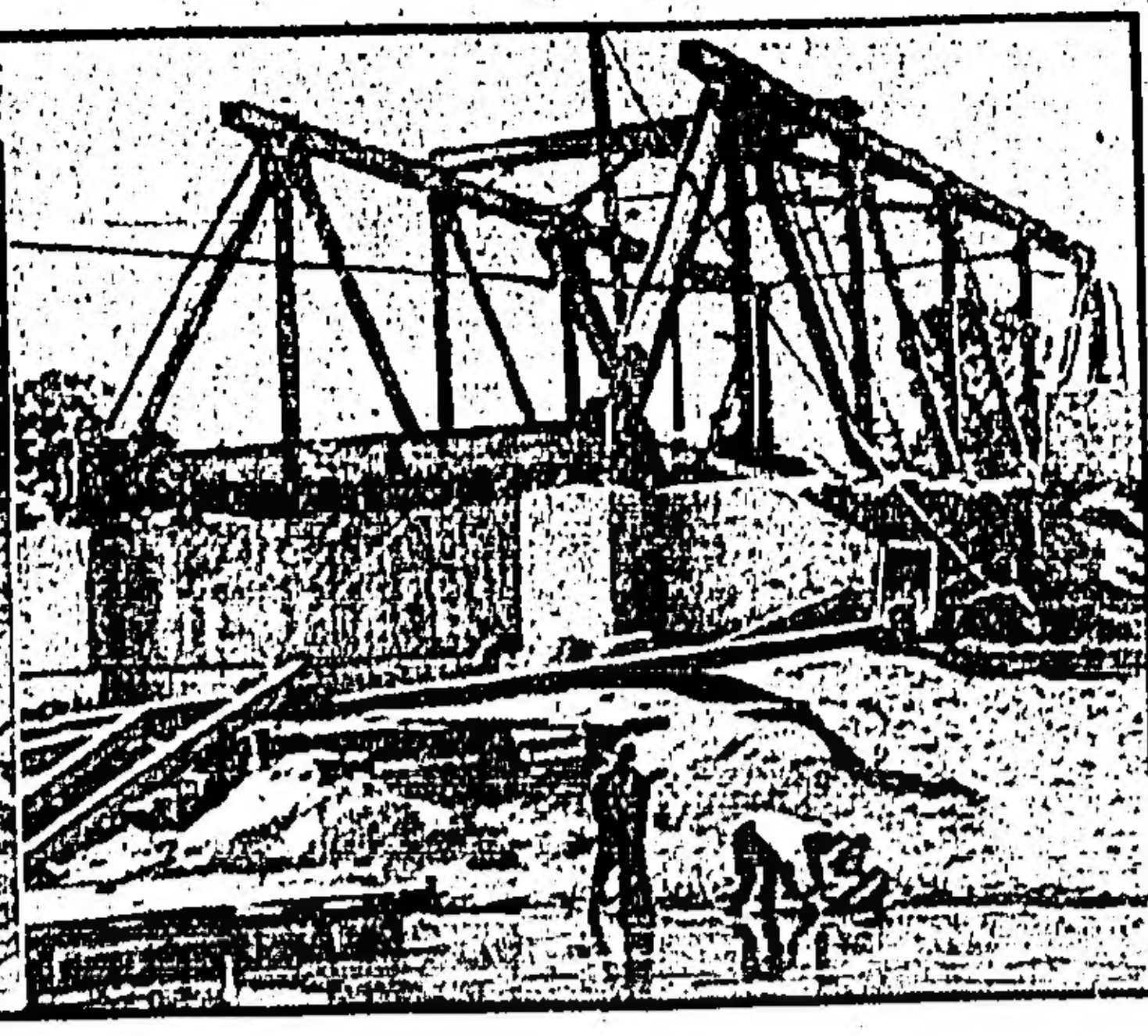
Trips are planned three times daily from a London hotel from May 9 until September 30. The charge for the tours will include a meal at the hotel at the end of each trip. Twelve people can be carried on the outside of the coach and four inside.

The trippers will see Buckingham Palace, the Parliament Buildings and many other London sights in a 90-minute journey which will also take them through Hyde Park.—Reuter.

REMEMBER WATERLOO BRIDGE (temp.)?



HERE IT IS IN CENTRAL AFRICA



When the old "temporary" Waterloo Bridge was dismantled in 1943, rumours subsequently placed it on the Rhine, at Remagen, and on the scrap heap, for conversion into steel.

Speculation about the bridge has now been ended by these snapshots. It has turned up again in Central Africa, is going to span the Kafue River, in Northern Rhodesia, in place of the old pontoon. Some of the sections are already in position.—London Express Service.

Informal Talks On Burma

London, Apr. 27.—Four Commonwealth Prime Ministers met at No. 10 Downing Street, London, today for informal talks on Burma with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

The countries represented by their Prime Ministers were India, the United Kingdom, Pakistan and New Zealand. Ceylon's Prime Minister was absent, but one of his advisers attended.

The Burmese Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, said in Calcutta recently that the Indian and Pakistan Premiers had agreed to bring up Burma's case informally at the present Commonwealth conference.

But today's meeting was understood to have been initiated by Mr. Attlee, who presided. Pandit Nehru and Mr. Liaquat Khan are understood to have presented Thakin Nu's statements to them before today's meeting, with their own views on the situation.

According to a usually reliable source, Thakin Nu asked the Indian and Pakistan Prime Ministers to urge a firm British statement of its policy on Burma.

The Burmese Government, this source added, believes that such a statement would satisfy many political elements in Burma who consider the present British attitude obscure. Informed quarters here discount all speculation on the hypothetical question of Burma rejoining the Commonwealth under the new association by which republican India will maintain her ties.—Reuter.

GOVT RECOGNISED

Damascus, Apr. 27.—The United States, Britain and France have recognised the new Syrian government of Brigadier Hossni Zaim, it was announced officially today.

The announcement said that former President Shukri al-Kuwatly, who resigned while in military custody following the coup which swept Colonel Zaim into power, had been released.—United Press.

RAF Bombing In Malaya Explained By Air Minister

London, Apr. 27.—No bandit-infested area in Malaya was attacked from the air unless the civil authorities were satisfied that there was no risk to the civilian population, Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Air Minister, told Mr. Emrys Hughes, Labour, in Parliament today.

The Royal Air Force took every precaution to ensure accuracy in their attacks, he said. Mr. Hughes had asked what steps the Royal Air Force took to prevent injury to the unarmed civilian population during raids on bandit areas. He further asked how it was possible to bomb any areas without danger to the population.

Did the Minister not think this was more likely to create anti-British feeling in Malaya than anything else?

Mr. Henderson thought Mr. Hughes was under a misapprehension. "These bombing attacks do not take place on urban areas, on towns and villages, but on bandit camps and their hideouts," he said.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Conservative, who recently visited Malaya, said that all these bombs were dropped actually in the jungle and on the bandit columns there, where there was no other population except animal life.

SHOOTING OF WOMEN

Mr. Hughes then asked what fresh instructions had been given to the police in Malaya, since the shooting of women.

Mr. David Rees Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied that the regulations authorising the use of fire-arms in effecting the arrest or preventing escapes already require a clear warning to be given before fire is opened. It was not practicable to discriminate in this matter between men and women. To do so might facilitate the escape of women who were themselves bandits or who were suspected of assisting bandits in their murderous activities.

One of the women killed on February 23 was in uniform and armed. On a later occasion, the hand of another woman was blown off by a grenade which she was in the act of throwing at a police patrol.

Mr. Sidney Silverman, Labour, asked if it was not the case that one of the two women shot on the occasion referred to was described in the official statement as running away and being chased for half a mile before she was shot. Was she armed?

ONE UNARMED

Mr. Rees Williams replied: "One of the women was armed and one was not. I must point out that the country was very enclosed, the ground, very rough and it is very largely jungle; half a mile in Malaya under these conditions is not half a mile as in London. The statement was that she was running away and being chased for half a mile before she was shot. Was she armed?"

Mr. Philip Piratin, Communist, then asked whether the authorities had a list of 3,004 people detained in Malaya and Singapore, who had made objections to the Advisory Committees, but had not been released. Did the authorities intend to charge them with the alleged offences?

Mr. Rees Williams replied that it would not be in the public interest to indicate on what grounds the people under detention were detained. "No charge may be brought against them, and that part of the question does not, therefore, arise," he added.

Mr. Piratin asked if it was not clear that out of 4,000 people who had objected to being detained only 100 had been released and that the other 3,000 were entitled to be charged or released?

Mr. Rees Williams said he had definite charges they should make them, he said. He asked the Minister to look into it. Mr. Rees Williams said they had looked into it, and went on: "The situation is that in the conditions in Malaya one may be suspicious of persons against whom it is quite impossible to bring a charge. Either there is not sufficient evidence or the witnesses are liable to be murdered while the case is proceeding."

REFUSE COMPENSATION

"In these circumstances it is necessary to have these measures which we have taken. Every person who is detained has the right of going before the Committee of Review, which investigates the cases, and says whether there is evidence of some suspicious activity."

Commander Allan Noble, Conservative, asked why Service Departments in Malaya were refusing to pay compensation for certain goods requisitioned in 1940-42 on the ground that they were requisitioned for purposes of defence and what right of appeal there was against such decisions.

Mr. Albert Alexander, Minister of Defence, replied: "Service Departments do not accept liability for payment of compensation in respect of goods requisitioned for defence from the enemy which are regarded as falling within the category of ordinary war damage losses. 'Claims in respect of such losses' would be dealt with by the Civil Government. Any decision of the Service Department, if regarded as unacceptable, can be contested in the courts."—Reuter.

BAO DAI IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, Apr. 27.—Bao Dai, former Emperor of Annam, landed at the RAF airport here on Wednesday and was escorted by the police and a military guard to Singapore Government House, to be the guest of the Governor, Sir Franklin Gibson.

Bao Dai is expected to leave early Thursday by plane for Saigon with a delegation of the French sponsored Central Provisional Government for Vietnam.

The secrecy and the special guard were arranged as a precaution against possible attacks, since the rebel Vietnamese forces in French Indo-China label Bao Dai a traitor.—Associated Press.

3,000 Tons Of Meat A Total Loss

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 27.—Three thousand tons of meat, mostly Argentine, on board the 17,500-ton Itaya Mail liner, the Magdalena, which broke into two while under tow, is known to be a total loss, it was announced today.

The stern section of the luxury liner was today firmly grounded in the shallows, surrounded by cases of oranges, of which she was carrying 20,000.—Reuter.

Gen. Clay Giving Up Post

Washington, Apr. 27.—A White House official disclosed today that General Lucius D. Clay will be granted relief from his post as American Military Governor in Germany within 30 days.

Mr. Louis Johnson U.S. Secretary of Defence, is expected to name Gen. Clay's successor sometime this week.—Associated Press.

POCKET CARTOON



GANGSTERS SHOT DEAD

Nairobi, Apr. 27.—Two African members of a gang which attacked a police patrol in the "disturbed" Kampala area of Uganda were shot dead last night. The police were reported to have control of the situation in Kampala today. They were extending their activities against the "hooligans" to country districts, where the grass-roofed houses of several chiefs had been set on fire.

The trouble began on Sunday with a threatened strike of African labourers as a demonstration against the first meeting of the East African Central Assembly in Kampala. The strike call asked "all the Baganda" to protest to the King of this East African British protectorate against the continued holding of office by three Ministers and a number of chiefs.

Yesterday, the police dispersed the demonstrators with nightstick charges, under a shower of stones, after a magistrate, who had begun to read the Riot Act, was hit by pieces of wood thrown from the crowd.—Reuter.

Legislation Will Prohibit Marriages

Capetown, Apr. 27.—The Minister of the Interior, Dr. T. E. Dönnies, today gave notice in the House of Assembly of a motion to prohibit marriages between Europeans and non-Europeans. This is the first legislative measure to implement the Government's policy of racial segregation between black and white in South Africa.—Reuter.

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